

PRICE \$21 PER MONTH

Intimations

NOTIFICATIONS.
SWALLOW, AMOT, AND POOHOW.
 Steamship.
 "KWANG-TUNG,"
 will depart from the above Ports
 on FRIDAY, the 3rd August, at noon.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 "DOUGLAS LA FRANK & Co."
 1109 Hongkong, 26th July, 1874.
AND
TO SINGAPORE, GALLE, AND
ROMNEY.
 J. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
 "ADRIA"
 will depart for the above places with quick des-
 patch.
 A. McIVER,
 Superintendent.
 J. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
 Hongkong, 31st July, 1874. [cf 1107]
NOTICE.
 The Captain, Owners, or Agents
 of the British Steamer *Yue-tai* will be

row of the said vessel,
Bangkok, 30th July 18

FOR SALE.

R. Portuguese Barque "*CCELIA*" of 333 Tons Register, now lying in this harbor built in Boston in 1839, doated and red here in 1873.

For further particulars apply to
J. J. B. LEE & CO.,
1134 Hongkong, 30th July, 1874.

NOTIFICATION.

INTENDERS OF LAND upon the British Settlement of Shanien, Canton, are Heroby notified that the Bids upon their respective lots due upon the 4th of September, 1874. Late lots upon which no bids have been made or promises to that date are hereby entered upon in the Name of the

CHRISTOPHER THOS. GARDNER,
Aiding Vice-Consul.

27th July, 1874. [3]
INTERNATIONAL ICE

FACTURING COMPANY OF LON-
Intend ERECTING AN ICE MANU-
ORY in this Colony in the course of
month, and will be able to commence
ing at an early date. Guarantee to deliver
at clear crystal ICE at reduced prices.
Further particulars will appear in due course.
1111 Hongkong, 12th July, 1874.

NOTICE.
Whether the Captain, Owners, or Agents
of the Peruvian Ship "*Macao* No 2" will
be responsible for any debts contracted by the
said Ship and Crew of the said vessel.
1041 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1874.

the Captain, Owners, and
Peruvian Ship "Empire"

responsible for any defects contracted by the
 Captain and Crew of the said vessel.
 142 Hongkong 2nd July, 1874.
 NOTICE.
 Debts and Accounts collected with punctu-
 ality and despatch,
 AND
 Warrants for Rent issued and exe-
 cuted with regularity if required.
 HENRIQUE J. RODEIGUES,
 33, Bridge Street,
 HONGKONG.
 SOLE AGENT FOR THE S.S. STEAM WORKS,
 ESSEN (GERMANY).
 SOLE AGENT FOR THE S.S. CHINA AND
 JAPAN.
 F. PEIL,
 Hongkong, Shanghai, Cologne (Germany.)

es to Consigné

DEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

DISIGNEES for Company's steamer
Catalpa are hereby notified that the
same being discharged into Craft, will be landed
at Godown of the undersigned, in both
cases will be at Singapore at Noon. The cargo
ready for delivery from Craft or Godown
after the 30th July, 1874.
is undelivered after 6th August, 1874,
subject to Rule.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

189 Hongkong, 30th July, 1874.

S. B. SINDH.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

ES of Cargo per S. S.
London in connection

steamer, are hereby informed, that their
 cargo is being landed and stored at their risk
 at the Company's Wharves, whence delivery
 is obtained from WEDNESDAY, the 29th
 inst.

The MORAL CARGO will be forwarded on, un-
 der commitment to the contrary is received from
 consignees before noon TO-MORROW.
 After it will be landed here.

The cargo of Lading will be consigned by the
 Agents.

The remaining unclaimed after FRIDAY,
 the 1st July, 1874, will be subject to rent and
 charges.

The Insurance has been effected.
 C. BERTHARD,
 Principal Agent.
 Hongkong, 27th July, 1874.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The British Steamer *Royalta*, from Penang
 and Singapore, will be expected this day
 tomorrow, and the Consignees of Cargo by
 her vessel are requested to send in their

and take immediate d

impeding the Consignee's discharge will be
and stored at Consignee's risk and ex-
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AH YON,
Kwang Hing Shop,
57, Praya.
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176 Hongkong, 20th July, 1874.
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BRITISH SHIP TATSEING FROM
LONDON.
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SIGNESSES of Cargo, by the above
essel are hereby requested to send in
Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for
insurance, and to take immediate deli-
very of their Goods.
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To impeding the discharge will be at once
and stored at Consignee's risk and ex-
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VOGEL HAGEDORN & Co
Hongkong, 20th July, 1874.
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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

ES of the following
to send in their bills

undersigned for countersignature, and immediate delivery; this Cargo has been stored at their risk and expense. Its insurance has been effected.

G. BRETTARD, Agent.

En "Poran", 14th June, 1874.
 1 case Rice.
 En "Downa", 14th June, 1874.
 35 cases Beer.
 1 case diamond, 45/36.
 120/15. Merchandise.
 9. " " " " " "
 20 cases Colour.
 2. " " " " " "
 100 slabs Tin.
 22nd June, 1874.

Extracts.

THE SICK MAN AND THE BIRD.

Spring! at the corner, O Spring!
How thou dost come!
O Spring, with all thy kind!

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THE "COMEDIANS OF THE PLAINS."

I could not take my eyes off the country,
so strange and new it seemed, and suddenly
my attention was attracted by a small brown
post, about a foot high, planted in a sandy
ring, with a little stand on top in the center.
I looked again, thinking it was a stray post,
and then I saw another, and a dozen
more. All at once one of the posts threw
itself flat down and disappeared into the pit,
displaying four short legs and a twinkling
tail; and I saw a pair of dogs (*Arctomys*
lagotis). We were going through a
dog-town, and they were getting by some
of their kind legs prying at the train and
rubbing their noses with their fore-paws.
They are the quaintest little animals;
and make charming pets, as they are very
easily tamed. They are very falsely called
dogs, their only claim to such a name being
their cry, a short bark; but are really more
nearly allied to marmosets. They are usually
supposed to live in the strange company of a
small owl and a marmoset; and I have
heard people assert that in each hole these
three most ungenial friends are found.
This fact, however, I have been unable to
prove satisfactorily, never having myself seen
either snake or bird, with the prairie dogs.
Those who have had much experience in the
West, all tell me they have often seen the marmoset
snake come out of holes in a dog-town, but
have never seen any prairie dogs come out
of the same hole. They are very difficult to
catch, as their movements are very rapid.
The best plan is to pour water down the
hole, and so drown out the poor little beast,
who comes up choking and spluttering, and
is then easily made prisoner. The peculiar
shakiness of their short tails as they bolt
down the hole has given rise to a Western
phrase, denoting great rapidity, "in the
twinkling of a tail."—*South by West*, by
the Rev. C. Kingsley.

Mr. Howard Park relates the following
anecdote of the late American humorist—
A knot of men came out of the Savage Club
one evening after one of the Saturday dinners,
and at the door stood a good specimen of a
weather-beaten, red-headed old London aban-
doned, attired in one of those wonderful tri-
pled overcoats that are fast disappearing
from the metropolitan ranks. Artemus was
struck with the old fellow's garb, and he
murmured his box called out, "Cabby, hi!
Come down, I want you." He did as re-
quested. "Cabby" continued Artemus, with
a twinkle of his eye, "you are the very man
I wish to see. I've been dining here with
some literary and artistic swells, and they
want to see you, and I feel you can't do it."
Artemus looked inquiringly. "Now,"
would you be good enough to tell me the
difference between *convergence* and
divergence?" The old man puckered up
his lips, scratched his head, and with the
frustrated grin replied, "Well, sir, you're
stranger to me, but I should say there's a
good deal to be said on both sides." "Good!"
exclaimed Artemus. "That's what I call
retort-caution!" All right, now drive us."
Three of us entered the cab. "Any particu-
lar place?" the man asked. "Oh, all!"
—and pre-tending to confer with us for an
instant, which he did with inimitable play-
a gentlest flame, emits a luminous odor
while burning, and leaves a yellowish ash.
But the Whiffy folks can adduce many
reasons for thinking that jet in some of its
forms at any rate, must have been at one
time in a semi-liquid state, quite unlike coal
derived from a ligneous origin.—*All the Year*
Round.

THE ORATION SERMON.

Thinking aloud is no peculiarity, as far as
I am aware, of fish ecclesiastics; but I can-
not help recording a singular instance of this
infirmary in the Bishop of— He had a
favorite sermon which he delivered in every
part of his diocese, wherever he might have
to preach. The subject was the little
Israelitish maid who carried away captive
by Syrian marauders and became a
serf in "Neman's household. Some of
the clergy used to maintain that it was the
only sermon which the Bishop had—that he
was in fact *homo unicus* *consonans*, but this I
can positively contradict. At one of his
ordinations a nephew of his wife came for
Friedrich's Orders. It was then the custom to
appoint an incoming Priest to preach the
Ordination Sermon; the appointment was
regarded as a compliment to the appointee—
being an acknowledgment of the having passed
superior examination when a candidate for
the year before for deacon's orders. In this
particular instance, the preacher was inde-
bitably his nephew, and his sermon was in-
deed his complement to his connection with the
bishop, and not to all eyes, a very good
sermon from inability to compose an approp-
riate sermon, or from diffidence as to his
sermon (if he did compose one) being called
to the occasion, at any rate, when the time
came, no sermon was ready. In his distress
he had recourse to an infant, who like an in-
dulgent aunt but injudiciously, relieved
him from his difficulty by abstracting one of
his nephew's sermons. It happened to be the
celebrated sermon on the Israelitish maid.
Upon the text being given out, the bishop
was observed by his examining chaplain (who
sat next him) to prick up his ears and to
bend forward to listen with very unusual in-
terest. At the end of the second or third
sentence the bishop exclaimed, in a voice
loud enough to be heard by all within the
yard of the church. "Why, bless my soul, if this
young blackguard has not gone and stolen
my little maid!"—*Some Time in Ireland*.

SCOTTISH CHARACTERISTICS.

During yesterday at Mace's Napier's, I
heard three things curious. 1st, That an
Edinburgh auctioneer (Charles Tait) had
given £190 for a fiddle for his own fiddling.
2nd, That a congregation, neither Catholic
nor Episcopalian, but worshipping according
to the forms of the Church of Scotland, had
given £200 for an organ, to be set up and
used by the same congregation. 3rd, That the
people who have sense and spirit to do this
are a congregation of Independents who as-
semble near the College, and are presided
over by Mr. Alexander, an able, excellent,
and eloquent man—no inconsiderable fact in
the progress of Scotland, I say. That the
Scottish Reversers in 660, Dr. John
Lee, Principal of the College of Edinburgh,
after succeeding in getting University Tests
continued last season, is now objecting to let
a marble statue by Flaxman, of Burns be
placed in our College Library, because Burns
had not a college education. Poor Shakspeare!
The late Dr. Ritchie, afterwards
Professor of Divinity in Edinburgh, spent
many ten years in the study of getting a good
organ, that somebody had given him for the
purpose, into his church in Glasgow. He
first, after some resistance, got it put up near
the altar door, where it stood, dumb, for
several years; then, on the pretence that it was
spoiling, he, but with greater resistance got it
advanced into an aisle, where it remained,
accounted for a few years more. At last, the
organ, on the occasion of making some repairs on
the interior of the church was taken advantage
of, and when the congregation re-assembled
they saw something fixed on the inner wall,
but carefully veiled. It was soon discovered
to be the abominable thing. The blood of
Presbytery rose. The doctor stood firm.
The way was only against playing the organ,
which he had never done. At last, the hor-
ror was of the organ, because it may be played,
and because once was played. Its very
presence reminded of the Scotch Woman,
the foot, and the fiddle. So it came to the
general Assembly, where I heard it dis-
cussed, many a year ago. The result was,
that the case of tender consciences, the
instrument was ordered on—*Lord Cock*
burn's Journal.

THE SWISS LOYD'S TRANSPORT

INSURANCE COMPANY,
WINTERTHUR.

Capital, 1,000,000 Swiss Francs.
Reserve Fund, 500,000 Swiss Francs.

Agents for the above Company at Hongkong,
Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Har-
bin, and are prepared to grant insurances at
current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
1565 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all
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third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYMPIAN & Co.,
General Agents.

1565 Hongkong, 17th April, 1873.

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